

Bringing Jesus Christ to people for the first time and for a lifetime!

LWML Rally

Sunday, Oct. 21

Registration is at 1 p.m. and Rally begins at 1:30 p.m.

Trunk or Treat Family Event

**Sunday, Oct. 28
4-6 p.m.**

Join us for fun in the west parking lot. See page 4 for more information.

Arts and Craft Show

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 20th annual Arts & Craft Show with their time and resources. The rainy start to the day didn't impede an enthusiastic crowd who came to shop among a variety of unique, handmade items, dine at the café, and take home fresh baked goods. Special thanks to the scrapbookers who donated all their proceeds, and to Gloria Dei for a generous grant from Thrivent funds directed to the church. With your support, about \$7,500 was raised for mission projects.

Public WiFi

You can connect to Gloria Dei's public WiFi. Just turn on your devices, and search for gdlcpublictwo. When prompted put in the password: gdlc2012.



God's people

This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Deuteronomy 30:19a

Chapter Six: Wanderings

God has declared his covenant with his people and now it is time to move into the Promise Land. If the people will follow his lead, and do as he commands, the land will be theirs! However, sinful people rarely follow God's lead or listen to his plan, do they? We see the pattern continues when God sends in 12 spies to confirm what he has been telling them. All of the spies agree the land is incredible, but only two trust God to deliver it to them. Because of Israel's lack of faith and rebellion, they will spend 40 years in the wilderness.

Finally a generation passes, and it is time to enter the land. The same conditions apply—follow God's lead and do as he commands. It sounds very simple, but we all know it becomes easier to look at the lower story instead of God's upper story. So, this week let's take a deep look into this section to learn how to avoid the wandering pitfalls that befell the Israelites.

Our Story....God's Story

It started with a simple concept to help four non-profit organizations and ended with \$2,981 in financial donations and hundreds of physical donations with an estimated value of more than \$1,400.

The idea began to take flight when it was linked with the tailgating party where members could drop off donations in honor of their favorite team. Soon, the idea took form when a ministry partner sketched out an idea, and invited several others to build the huge green displays.

After the first weekend, one of our staff members gasped with amazement when she saw the response of the congregation. After the second weekend the totals escalated:

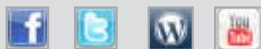
\$1,492	for Urbandale Food Pantry	14	children items, formula, etc.
\$1,064	for Joppa Outreach	2	flashlight kits
\$400	ESL gift cards	4	large containers of batteries
\$25	Urbandale Food Pantry gift card	6	lg. bags of gently-used clothing
564	food items	1	pair of new boots
14	sleeping bags and blankets	100	miscellaneous personal items, toothpaste, soap, laundry detergent
4	tents		
9	boxes of diapers		

"Gloria Dei has always been an extremely generous church. It is part of our story," says Pastor Robarge, Director of Adult Ministry. "In years past, we have supported many organizations outside our church. It is exciting to see people respond to the needs of our community and our world."

And if the story couldn't get better, Jacki Stevens, one of the original founders of Joppa stopped by the office to pick up the church's donations.

"Your phone call made my day," Jacki states. "This morning, we were a bit concerned because we only had less than \$100 in Joppa's checking account. And then to receive your call, was amazing. God is always faithful, isn't he?"

This story is part of Gloria Dei's story...this is God's story and we all get to be a part of God's love and compassion as he reaches those in need.



First quarter financial update

The following financial information is for July 1 to Sept. 30, 2012.

Giving offering compared to prior year

Offering income shows an increase of \$22,638 or 6.54 percent compared to the prior year.

Jul '11 - Sept '11	Jul '12 - Sept '12	Difference +/-	% Incr/-Decr
\$346,104	\$368,742	\$22,638	6.54%

Budgeted giving offering

Offering income shows a decrease of \$25,258, or 6.41 percent of our estimated budget.

Jul '12 - Sept '12	Budgeted	Over/Under	% Incr/-Decr
\$368,742	\$394,000	(\$25,258)	-6.41%

Total income compared to prior year

Total income, which includes giving, preschool tuition, building usage fees and other small revenue items, shows an increase of \$22,192, or 5.95 percent compared to the prior year.

Jul '11 - Sept '11	Jul '12 - Sept '12	Difference +/-	% Incr/-Decr
\$372,825	\$395,017	\$22,192	5.95%

Budgeted total income

Total income shows a decrease of \$23,504, or 5.62 percent of our estimated budget.

Jul '12 - Sept '12	Budgeted	Over/Under	% Incr/-Decr
\$395,017	\$418,521	(\$23,504)	-5.62%

Expenses compared to prior year

Expenses show a decrease of \$12,911, or 3.13 percent compared to the prior year.

Jul '11 - Sept '11	Jul '12 - Sept '12	Difference +/-	% Incr/-Decr
\$413,058	\$400,147	(\$12,911)	-3.13%

Budgeted expenses

Expenses show a decrease of \$48,566, or 10.82 percent of our estimated budget.

Jul '12 - Sept '12	Budgeted	Over/Under	% Incr/-Decr
\$400,147	\$448,713	(\$48,566)	-10.82%

Additional Information

The general fund giving includes all stock offerings. Out of the \$20,000 total stock received in the first quarter, about \$15,000 is normally contributed in the second quarter of the year. Also, there were 14 Sundays in the first quarter this year compared to only 13 Sundays in the prior year. These both account for the increase in general fund giving this year. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Jesse, Executive Director, at 515-276-1700 ext. 217.

Aurora Campus Improvement pledge drive

As of Sept. 30, we had received \$603,185 in total pledges and \$364,276 in total cash for the building remodel and maintenance projects. It is still not too late to pledge or give to this important project.

United Way Contributions

Did you know that you can direct your United Way contributions to Gloria Dei? Some employers do a company match. Gloria Dei meets the guidelines for directed donations as a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. For more information, contact Shari Smith, GDLC Accounting Manager, shari@gloriadeionline.com.

You can also contact Aubrey Martinez, United Way Pledge Services Manager at amartinez@unitedwaydm.org or 515-246-6572.

Choice Dollars

Each year, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans distributes a portion of outreach funds through Choice Dollars. More than \$62 million in Choice Dollars grant funds have been distributed to congregations/nonprofit organizations in 2011. The following amounts have been distributed to Gloria Dei:

2011 - \$6,286

2012 - \$6,001

Book Club

Wednesday, Nov. 7 at 6:15 p.m.

Mark your calendar to discuss "The Vow" by Kim and Krickett Carpenter, with Dana Wilkerson.

Reformation Sunday

Sunday, October 28 from 5-8 p.m. You are invited to attend a joint Reformation Service hosted at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3223 University, DSM. The event is hosted by Trinity, Christ the King, Mt. Olive, Living Faith and Messiah Lutheran Churches. The evening will begin with a soup dinner at 5 p.m. The Reformation Service will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the guest lecturer will be Rev. James Brammeier.

Seminary Recruitment Visit

Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Gloria Dei

Rev. Becker is interested in meeting with prospective seminary students of all ages—elementary school age through adults who are already employed in another vocation. Reservations are not necessary, but strongly encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific conference time, please contact Rev. Becker at 314-505-7201 or at beckerw@csl.edu.

Women’s Bible Connections

Mondays, Nov. 12-Jan. 7, 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. (Will not meet Dec. 3, 24, or 31.)

Connect with other faith-filled women on Monday mornings and evenings. We will read “The Fitting Room: Putting On the Character of Christ” by Kelly Minter. Colossians 3:12 tells us to “clothe” ourselves in Christian virtues like forgiveness, joy, patience, compassion. But how does that work in real life? Can we really “dress up” in the character of Christ? Kelly Minter says the answer is yes—if we let the Master Designer do the fitting. This relatable book offers insightful Scripture study with real-life stories and simple, down-to-earth explanations of tricky concepts as justification and sanctification—stitching it all together with dry humor and down-to-earth honesty. If you would like to join this study and/or order a book, please contact Lisa Scherer at 490-4108.

Let’s pray!

Prayer requests can be made on the back of the “Welcome” card located in the pews. Please indicate your prayer request and place the card in the offering plate. We have both e-mail and phone prayer chains available. Call Pastor Phillips in the church office, 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 993-3870 with your request.

Thanksgivings

- For the fall harvest

For the health of

- Stan Knapp
- Kendrick Schiesl
- Lisa May
- Andrew Varley
- Greg Fitzgerald
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Carol Petersen, Peg Petersen-Riddle’s sister
- Steve Crouthamel
- Christine Watson
- Stolley Schramm

And for:

- Our nation and world

Prayer ministry

To join the prayer team, e-mail Pastor Phillips at: tphillips@gloriadeionline.com with your name, e-mail address and phone number.

Servers

Officiant/Liturgist:
5:30 p.m. (FLC)
 Rev. Ron Burcham

8 a.m. (Sanctuary):
 Rev. Tim Phillips

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Rev. Tim Phillips

10 a.m. (FLC)
 Rev. Phil Robarge

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Rev. Ron Burcham

Preacher
 Rev. Ron Burcham

Organ
 Lynn Hays

Acolytes:
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Owen Ness

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Haley Ness

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Caroline Riedinger

Scripture verses:

Numbers: 13:27-28, 30-31, 14:20-23 and
 Deuteronomy 30:19-20
 (NIV)

Hospitality Teams
5:30 p.m. (FLC)
 Team Four

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Team Four

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Team Five

10 a.m. (FLC)
 TBD

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)
 Team Four

Men's Bible Study: 33 Series - Vol. I

A Man and His Design

If you have not participated in this study, it is not too late. If you have, then mentor a friend by inviting him. Cost of \$20 provides a book for each participant.

**Wednesdays, Oct. 17 to Nov. 28
from 7:30-8:30 p.m. (OverTime,
4810 86th Street, Urbandale)**

**Saturdays, Oct. 20 to Dec. 1 from
7:30-8:30 a.m. (Youth Center)**

Please register at gloriadeionline.com.

Honduras Mission Trip Meeting

Sunday, Oct. 28 from 12 to 1 p.m.

An initial kick-off meeting will be held Sunday Oct. 28 at noon to determine the individuals who might be interested in attending the mission trip to Honduras from June 15-22, 2013. Pastor Phillips will be leading the team and anyone 16 and over can go. There is space for 15 people. Consider this opportunity to serve God by serving the impoverished in Honduras. For more information, contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

Freedom for Youth

We need your help! We are looking for a small group or family to provide a meal on Monday, Dec. 3 from 5-6 p.m. for approximately 60 students and tutors. The meal will be served at the Freedom for Youth Ministries, 2301 Hickman Rd. Des Moines. For more details, contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com or sign up in the Narthex today.

Trunk and Treat Family Event

Sunday, Oct. 28 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Parents, decorate your vehicle's trunk and let kids trick or treat in the west parking lot.

Awards will be given for the most creative decorations. Wear your costume (nothing scary) and come with a parent.

Awards will also be given for the most creative trunks! Each vehicle should anticipate a minimum of 150 visitors.

Free hotdogs will be available in the west parking lot. Invite your friends and neighbors!



Wild Rose Chapter of Iowa

Sunday, Oct. 28 from 12:30-3 p.m.

The Wild Rose Chapter of Iowa will hold its quarterly meeting and German food potluck at Windsor Heights Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 1240 66th St., Windsor Heights. Anyone whose heritage includes Germans who migrated to Russia, and subsequently to the USA are welcome. For additional information, contact Marv Rohn at 250-6801.

Tiny Treasures Receives a Special Song



Steve Kowbel, Director of Worship Ministry recently visited Tiny Treasures to teach and to sing "Jesus Loves Me" to a very receptive audience.

Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Junior High (grades 6-8)

Castaway - Sundays from 9:50-10:30 a.m. and 11:20-noon in the Youth Center. Please join us in the Youth Center.

Small groups - Wednesdays from 6:45-8 p.m.
Students in grades 6-8 meet in small groups discussing various topics.

Junior High Café 923 - Friday, Oct. 26 from 6-9 p.m.
It's a time when you can hang out, have a good time, eat, play games and bring friends. Pizza is \$1 per slice, soda \$.50 a can.

Iowa District Junior High Youth Gathering
If you have signed up, please meet at church by 9 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Thank you to all the teens and their parents who helped with the set up and tear down of the Arts and Craft Show.

Senior High Ministry (grades 9-12)

Senior High Bible study

Join us Sundays 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. as we discuss the weekend sermon topic.

The Point

Join us Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8 p.m. for praise, teaching and small group.

Grades 8-12

Have you wanted to make a difference in someone's life, but didn't know what to do? Then join us for our mission trip to Racine, Wisconsin from June 15-22. See the youth bulletin board. Sign up today!

All Saints Celebration

Wednesday, Oct. 31 from 6-7 p.m.

Join us for a family game night. We'll have snacks and games. Faith Alive will not meet, but Faith Alive meals will be served from 5-6:15 p.m. It is deli night; the cost is \$5 per adult, and \$2.50 per child, children 2 and under eat free.

Kindergarten Bible event

Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 6-7 p.m.

All kindergarten children and a parent are invited to attend the Kindergarten Bible event on Wed. Oct. 24 from 6-7 p.m.

BoyZ and GirlZ of Faith

Girls and boys in grades 4 and 5 are invited to a bi-monthly meeting at the church. It will be a time for fellowship, Bible study, crafts, activities, snacks and tons of fun.

Sunday, Oct. 21 from 6-7:15 p.m. (GirlZ of Faith)

Sunday, Oct. 28 from 6-7:15 p.m. (BoyZ of Faith)

Faith Alive Meal

Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 5-6:15 p.m.

Sloppy Joes with tater tots - Enjoy a meal. The cost is \$5 per adult, and \$2.50 per child, children 2 and under eat free.

12 Doughs of Christmas

Saturday, Nov. 3 from 9 a.m. to noon. This scheduled time is for families with children age 12 and under.

Sunday, Nov. 4 from 1-4 p.m. This scheduled time is for families with children over 12 years old.

Come in and prepare nine cookie doughs, one candy, one bar recipe and one spiced-nut recipe to take home and enjoy. Cost is \$50. Registration is required. See Elaine in the kitchen to register and to pay.

Bethlehem ADVENTure

Sunday, Nov. 25 from 2-5 p.m.

Bethlehem ADVENTure is a family experience that will help celebrate Jesus as the reason for the CHRISTmas season. Travel with shepherds as they hear from the angels, step into the stable where the animals were kept (a baby in there?), snack in the village and praise the King of Kings! Please register for this event.

Week of October 20-27, 2012

Saturday, October 20

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume I
- 8:00 a.m. Tiny Treasures' Consignment Sale
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, October 21

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 8:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:15 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:50 a.m. Castaway
- 9:50 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Chuck Corell)
- 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 10:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 11:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 11:20 a.m. Castaway
- 1:30 p.m. LWML Fall Rally
- 2:00 p.m. Chapel at Emeritus
- 6:00 p.m. Girlz of Faith

Monday, October 22

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Connections
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Tuesday, October 23

- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, October 24

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Faith Alive Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. "The Story" Adult Study
- 6:15 p.m. Parenting Workshop
- 6:15 p.m. Kindergarten Bible Event
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Group
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume I (off-site)
- 7:30 p.m. Iowa Lutheran Teachers' Conference Set up

Thursday, October 25

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Iowa Lutheran Teachers' Conference
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Friday, October 26

- 9:00 a.m. Iowa Lutheran Teachers' Conference
- 1:30 p.m. Senior Adult Ministry Action Team
- 6:00 p.m. Matthew Corley and Kirsten Franzen Wedding Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Café 923

Saturday, October 27

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1
- 9:00 a.m. IDW Junior High Youth Gathering
- 3:00 p.m. Matthew Corley and Kirsten Franzen Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

It was suggested to us to include year-to-date totals for General Fund Offerings in addition to quarter-to-date and weekly totals. By reporting all totals, we hope to present the clearest picture of our giving. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Jesse, Executive Director, at 276-1700 ext. 217.

Worship (Oct. 13-14)	Attendance
5:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)	207
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)	153
9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	308
10 a.m. (FLC)	125
11 a.m. (Sanctuary)	241
Total	1034

Outpouring of Love (Oct. 13-20)	
Weekly General Fund Offerings	\$40,198
2nd QTD Offering	\$91,853
2nd QTD Budget	\$95,000
YTD Offering Total	\$446,403
YTD Offering Budget	\$469,000

Week of October 27-November 3, 2012

Saturday, October 27

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1
- 9:00 a.m. IDW Junior High Youth Gathering
- 3:00 p.m. Matthew Corley and Kirsten Franzen
Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, October 28

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in
Sanctuary
- 8:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:15 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in
Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:50 a.m. Castaway
- 9:50 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Chuck Corell)
- 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Family Life Center with Communion
- 10:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Grundmeier Baptism Dinner
- 11:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 11:20 a.m. Castaway
- 12:00 p.m. Honduras Mission Meeting
- 1:30 p.m. ICA Archery Club
- 4:00 p.m. Trunk and Treat

Monday, October 29

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Connections
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Tuesday, October 30

- 10:00 a.m. Sr. Adult Ministry Action Team
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, October 31

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Faith Alive Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. All Saints Celebration (Family Game Night)
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Group
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume I
(off-site)

Thursday, November 1

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Home School Choir
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

Friday, November 2

- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 5:30 p.m. Austen Koehn and Chelsey Holtz
Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, November 3

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1
- 9:00 a.m. 12 Doughs of Christmas
- 4:00 p.m. Austen Koehn and Chelsey Holtz
Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Items needed

Honduras mission team needs Claritin, Tums, Maalox, Zantac and Pepcid. Please place the donations in the Honduras bin in the Narthex. Thank you!

Children's Attendance	Saturday 5:50 p.m.	Sunday 8:20 a.m.	Sunday 9:50 a.m.	Sunday 10:20 a.m.	Sunday 11:20 a.m.	Wednes. 6 p.m.
Preschool	9	2	10	9	11	28
Elementary	17	3	48	24	31	111
Total Children	26	5	58	33	42	139

Welcome to Gloria Dei! We are glad you are here!

We encourage families to worship together before children (ages 3-grade 5) are invited to Grace Place on Saturday evenings at 5:50; Sunday mornings at 8:20, 9:50, 10:20 and 11:20. Junior high youth (grades 6-8) are invited to Castaway at 9:50 and 11:20 a.m.

5:30 p.m. Saturday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

This contemporary service offers a unique come-as-you-are worship experience on Saturday evening. A gathering of celebration will be led by our worship team and band in the Family Life Center, inviting worshippers to lift anthems to our God. There will be time for intimacy with God, reflection on his promises and the opportunity to grow as his Word is declared.

8:00 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

This worship service is based on traditional hymns and liturgy. The music is organ led with offerings of special music, offertories and communion hymns led by the piano. Our special music groups and choirs perform on a regular basis.

9:30 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Blend Worship in the Sanctuary

This service offers a blend of instruments, from piano and organ to brass and percussion. Large group choirs as well as small group vocal and instrumental ensembles offer special music. The liturgy is specifically designed to enhance the life of the believer, by supporting the current study of God's Word at Gloria Dei.

10:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

This high-energy service offers a casual setting for those who enjoy a come-as-you-are contemporary environment. A gathering of celebration will be led by our worship team and band in the Family Life Center, inviting worshippers to lift anthems to our God. There will be time for intimacy with God, reflection on his promises and the opportunity to grow as his Word is declared via this video venue.

11:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

This contemporary service has a unique style of its own as we combine the present day sounds of contemporary music with a worship band in the awe inspiring setting of the Sanctuary. This service includes uplifting songs of celebration as people gather together responding to our God.

Other important items

Nursery: Infants to age 3. Located on the lower level with access through the doors in the Narthex. The nursery is staffed during all worship services for children ages 3 and under at no cost to the parent.

Cry room: Located in the southwest corner of the Narthex is a room with a full view of the Sanctuary for parents to take their small children.

Weekly Bible reading - Deuteronomy 30:19-20 (NIV)

This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the Lord your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the Lord is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Educational times

Children (ages 2- grade 5)

Grace Place

Saturdays at 5:50 p.m.

Sundays at 8:20, 9:50,

10:20 & 11:20 a.m.

Faith Alive

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Youth (grades 6-12)

Times vary, check page 5.

Adults

Times vary, check pages 6-7.

Communion

Communion is offered on the first and third Sundays of each month during the services in the Sanctuary and the second and fourth Saturdays and Sundays during the services in the Family Life Center.

A note to our guests and visitors: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Gloria Dei in the belief and with the confession that this Sacrament is the very body and blood of Christ (The Doctrine of the Real Presence) which is received with the bread and the wine for us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our faith. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and seek to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If you agree with our beliefs regarding the nature and meaning of this Sacrament and desire to commune with us, you are welcome! For the medical and/or physical needs of members or visitors, non-alcoholic wine will be in the inner circle of each communion tray and will be lighter in color than the regular wine. In addition, gluten-free wafers are available, please alert the elders before the service if possible.